

Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority (LANTA). The investigation of BRT service is an outcome of a regional transit development planning process designed to establish a long term vision for regional transit, as well as short range development priorities. LANTA's service expansion effort will be focused, to a significant degree, on improving job accessibility. This is needed to support economic development and job growth within the Lehigh Valley, one of the fastest growing areas in the northeast region. This analysis is an essential part of a project development effort that could lead to a future comprehensive project.

Bill Number: H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010, Account: Federal Transit Administration, Buses & Bus Facilities, Title: Lehigh Valley Hybrid Transit Bus Purchase, Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority (LANTA), Address of Requesting Entity: 1060 Lehigh Street, Allentown, PA 18103, Description of Request: This funding will be used to support the purchase of heavy-duty, hybrid powered transit buses for the Lehigh and Northampton Transportation Authority (LANTA). The buses will replace vehicles purchased in 1998 in order to continue LANTA's expansion efforts. Service expansion over the last 10 years has been supported through a combination of timely bus fleet replacements and fleet expansions, resulting in an 80% increase in ridership, with 51% of those riders using the system to access jobs. An active service and equipment update program is necessary to support the demand to improve services in the growing Lehigh Valley region.

Bill Number: H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010, Account: Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Economic Development Initiatives (EDI), Title: Souderton Train Station and Freight Buildings Restoration, Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Borough of Souderton, Address of Requesting Entity: 31 West Summit Street, Souderton, PA 18964, Description of Request: This funding will be used to renovate and restore the interior and exterior of the historic Souderton Train Station and two adjacent freight buildings by the Borough of Souderton. Souderton is one of at least seven communities with rail buildings built at the turn of the 20th century to accommodate freight and passenger service on the Quakertown-Stony Creek line. With an active effort being made to return passenger rail service to the existing line, which currently handles a large amount of freight traffic, these local facilities are being restored throughout the region. The buildings in Souderton reflect the history of communities that blossomed around rail lines and will serve as a warm welcome to residents using this line when passenger service is restored.

Bill Number: H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010, Account: Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Economic Development Initiatives (EDI), Title: New Bethany Ministries Building Rehabilitation, Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Episcopal Ministries of the Diocese of Bethlehem, Address of Requesting Entity: 333 West 4th Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015, Description of Request: This funding will be used

to rehabilitate a building into a community asset where low-income, mentally disabled and homeless people will receive groceries, meals, financial case management, used clothing, and a variety of emergency walk-in services. The upper floor will be transformed into safe and secure single room occupancy units of case-managed housing for low-income mentally disabled or chronically homeless adults.

Bill Number: H.R. 3288, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2010, Account: Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Economic Development Initiatives (EDI), Title: Sunnybrook Historic Revitalization, Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Sunnybrook Foundation, Address of Requesting Entity: 50 Sunnybrook Road, Pottstown, PA 19464, Description of Request: This funding will be used for the preservation and revitalization of a historic ballroom, a National Historic Register site, which will be used by the community for seniors and youth programs. The funding will also advance the completion of a conference center and performing arts venue to bolster regional tourism. This project will benefit the greater Pottstown area by providing a modern facility for community activity and enhancing tourism in the region.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. LOUIE GOHMERT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to Republican Leadership standards, the following information is submitted regarding funding received in the first district of Texas as part of H.R. 3288—Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Veterans Shuttle Service Project. The Brazos Transit District, 1759 N. Earl Rudder Freeway, Bryan, Texas 77803, \$300,000, Federal Transit Authority Buses and Bus Facilities account, to provide round-trip shuttle service for Veterans who need to go to the Veterans Administration (VA) Outpatient Clinic in Lufkin, Texas and/or to the VA Medical Center in Houston, Texas. This shuttle will provide many of our nation's ailing Veterans vital access to both medical facilities.

Angelina County Cassells-Boykin County Park Project. Angelina County, Texas, 606 East Lufkin Avenue, Lufkin, Texas 75902, \$500,000, Housing and Urban Development Economic Development Initiative account, to make improvements and renovations to the Cassells-Boykin County Park on federal Lake Sam Rayburn in Angelina County. This project will finally make improvements necessary to make the federal investment in the lake more accessible and available.

Discovery Learning Center. Texas College, 2404 North Grand Avenue, Tyler, Texas 75702, \$250,000, Housing and Urban Development Economic Development Initiative account, to establish a Discovery Learning Center to serve pre-school students and train teachers studying Early Childhood Education. The initiative will help fill the void of quality trained professionals in Early Childhood Education, while also elevating families' first-time

college attendees from poverty to the realm of the productive.

Texas State Technical College (TSTC) Marshall Transportation and Industrial Manufacturing Building. TSTC Marshall, 2650 East End Blvd. South, Marshall, Texas 75672, \$200,000, Housing and Urban Development Economic Development Initiative account, for assistance with construction of a Transportation and Industrial Manufacturing Technology building, which would assist the community with a hands-on training facility for welding, computer-aided manufacturing, transportation technology, diesel equipment technology, small engine repair, light/medium duty truck and motorcycle driving school, and a truck driving school. This would be far more beneficial for our economy than paying unemployment benefits as it will train and retrain workers for available jobs.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. CANDICE S. MILLER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293 the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman CANDICE S. MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3293 Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of 2010

Account: FIPSE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: St. Clair County Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 323 Erie St., Port Huron, MI 48061

Description of Request: This request, in the amount of \$100,000.00, would be used to further facilitate and develop curriculum for their Water Quality Technology Program.

Requesting Member: Congressman CANDICE S. MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3293, Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of 2010

Account: Administration for Children and Families—Social Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Eva's Place Domestic Violence Shelter

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 29, Sandusky, MI 48471

Description of Request: This request, in the amount of \$200,000.00, would be used for shelter funding and to further facilitate domestic violence shelter programs.

Requesting Member: Congressman CANDICE S. MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3293, Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of 2010

Account: Administration for Children and Families—Social Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Huron County Safe Place Domestic Violence Shelter

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 8, Bad Axe, MI 48316

Description of Request: This request, in the amount of \$150,000.00, would be used for

shelter funding and to further facilitate domestic violence shelter programs.

Requesting Member: Congressman CANDICE S. MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3293, Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of 2010

Account: Administration for Children and Families—Social Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lapeer Area Citizens Against Domestic Assault

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 356, Lapeer, MI 48446

Description of Request: This request, in the amount of \$200,000.00, would be used for shelter funding and to further facilitate domestic violence shelter programs.

Requesting Member: Congressman CANDICE S. MILLER

Bill Number: H.R. 3293, Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of 2010

Account: Administration for Children and Families—Social Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Safe Horizons Domestic Violence Shelter

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 610968, Port Huron, MI 48061

Description of Request: This request, in the amount of \$200,000.00, would be used for shelter funding and to further facilitate domestic violence shelter programs.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mr. CONAWAY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, Transportation, HUD and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge the requests (1) are not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) are not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the financial interests of my spouse or me.

South Orient Rail Line Rehabilitation in San Angelo, TX—The South Orient Rail line connects Ft. Worth, Texas, to the deep water port in Topolobampo, Mexico, on the Pacific Coast. This funding will be used to repair railroad

crossings that are found in poor or worse condition to improve rail safety, speed and allow the transport of new wind turbines and towers in San Angelo, TX. The project is of the highest priority to San Angelo and the city is ready and willing to contribute to the line for speed and safety and sees the potential in future commercial growth with new freight transit from the deep water port in Mexico and Chihuahua City. I am requesting funding in the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Texas Department of Transportation, 125 East 11th Street, Austin, TX 78701—Committee amount: \$1 million.

Concho Valley Multi-Modal Terminal in San Angelo, TX—The funding will be used for construction of a multi-modal terminal that will house customer service centers, administrative offices and development space for the Concho Valley Transit District. The Texas Department of Transportation has awarded a multi-year \$1.5 million grant to support future development and the project received. This project has been authorized by SAFETEA-LU. I am requesting funding in the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Texas Department of Transportation, 125 East 11th Street, Austin, TX 78701—Committee amount: \$250,000.